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By E-mail

The Honorable James R. Cho
United States Magistrate Judge
Eastern District of New York
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Re: United States v. Rashid Sultan Rashid Al Malik Alshahhi, et al.
Criminal Docket No. ()
1:21-cr-00371(BMC)(TAM)

Dear Judge Cho:

On July 16, 2021, an indictment was returned in the above-captioned matter and filed under seal, together with warrants for the arrests of the charged defendants. The indictment charges the defendants with acting as agents of a foreign government without prior notification to the Attorney General and conspiracy to act as agents of a foreign government without prior notification to the Attorney General. The indictment also charges Thomas Joseph Barrack with obstruction of justice and making material false statements. A copy of the sealed indictment is attached.

The government respectfully requests that the Court enter a partial unsealing order for the limited purpose of providing the indictment and related arrest warrants to United States government officials in connection with potential efforts to arrest and extradite the defendants and for other national security purposes. The government requests that the indictment and arrest warrants otherwise remain under seal and that this letter, which discusses the sealed indictment, be filed under seal until further order of this Court.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure

cc: Clerk of Court (by Email)